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MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA - JANUARY, 1963

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POPULATION ESTIMATES

Whole State: at 30.6.1962

Metropolitan: at 30.6.1962

Males - 384,132 Females - 370,345 Persons - 754,477

Persons - 431,000

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS

Particulars	DECEMBER				Twelve Months ended DECEMBER			
	1962		1961		1962		1961	
	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)
Marriages	432	6.65	399	6.30	5,469	7.25	5,150	6.98
Births	1,209	18.61	1,259	19.89	17,036	22.57	17,078	23.16
Deaths	346	5.33	444	7.01	5,826	7.72	5,729	7.77
Infant Mort- ality (b)	28	23.16	29	23.03	388	22.78	336	19.67

(a) Equivalent annual rate per 1,000 of population except for Infant Mortality which represents rate per 1,000 live births.

(b) Deaths under one year.

TRADE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE)

Expressed in Terms of Australian Currency

Item	IMPORTS				EXPORTS (including Ships' Stores)			
	DECEMBER		Six Months ended DECEMBER		DECEMBER		Six Months ended DECEMBER	
	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Oversea	4,188	3,192	26,910	23,509	11,055	9,472	58,000	73,951
Interstate	10,619	7,323	68,357	53,353	3,770	2,792	22,264	21,626
Total:	14,807	10,515	95,267	76,862	14,825	12,264	80,264	95,577

LAND SETTLEMENT

Crown Land Transactions	JANUARY		Twelve Months ended DECEMBER	
	1963	1962	1962	1961
	acres	acres	acres	acres
Land Conditionally Alienated	78,487	70,770	1,234,516	1,020,290
Pastoral, Special and Miscellaneous Leases Issued by Lands Department	3,343	1,287,486	16,445,001	6,778,902

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE : CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND

Item	JANUARY		Seven Months ended JANUARY	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
	£	£	£	£
Revenue	5,781,109	5,848,285	41,278,950	43,382,692
Revenue per Head of Population	7.6	7.8	54.3	58.5
Expenditure	5,521,824	5,791,420	45,066,644	44,160,565
Expenditure per Head of Population	7.2	7.8	59.3	59.5

SAVINGS BANKS

Amounts due to Depositors	At the end of JANUARY		
	1963	1962	1961
	£	£	£
Total	98,033,114	86,120,009	80,374,542
Per Head of Population	128.0	115.2	109.8

TRADING BANKS

Year	Average Weekly Clearings (£ million)											
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1961	25.5	22.7	23.4	23.5	24.0	21.6	23.1	21.6	23.2	24.6	23.8	26.9
1962	25.9	26.5	26.4	24.8	25.9	24.1	26.3	24.6	24.8	27.2	26.3	27.1
1963	30.4											

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Land Titles and Deeds		JANUARY		Seven Months ended JANUARY	
		1963	1962	1963	1962
Transfers	No.	1,747	1,621	14,064	12,059
	£	4,257,852	3,164,285	32,305,276	21,938,774
Mortgages	No.	1,341	1,184	10,873	9,457
	£	3,066,710	2,868,778	27,201,473	20,417,358
Discharges of Mortgages	No.	1,027	980	8,090	7,288

SALE OF GOODS AND SALES TAX COLLECTED

Item	Period of Receipt of Return			
	JANUARY		Seven Months ended JANUARY	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Sales Exempt from Tax	15,156	14,722	98,627	83,261
Net Taxable Sales	8,082	6,878	41,302	35,003
Tax Collected	1,116	920	5,608	5,127

COMPANIES REGISTERED

Type of Company		JANUARY		Seven Months ended JANUARY	
		1963	1962	1963	1962
Local	No.	32	24	298	219
Nominal Capital	£	893,000	2,125,000	26,000,000	18,503,000
Foreign	No.	14	12	94	112

BANKRUPTCY

Item	Seven Months ended JANUARY					
	1963			1962		
	No.	Liabilities	Assets	No.	Liabilities	Assets
		£	£		£	£
Sequestration Orders	97	150,117	23,084	81	140,401	39,814
Compositions, Assignments and Deeds of Arrangement (a)	47	185,021	156,114	58	273,410	212,458

(a) Under Parts XI and XII of Bankruptcy Act.

RAILWAY OPERATIONS

The State Government Railways (including the Railway Road Service)

Item	DECEMBER		Six Months ended DECEMBER	
	1962	1961	1962	1961
Gross Earnings £	1,336,900	1,298,500	7,558,600	8,563,600
Operating Expenses £	1,148,776	1,202,239	7,710,463	7,926,516
Train Miles Run	608,458	623,515	3,664,187	3,974,161
Motor Bus Miles	(a)252,591	(b)223,310	(c)825,351	(d)761,735
<u>Passenger Journeys -</u>				
Train	827,407	830,761	5,846,356	6,007,674
Motor Bus	21,914	21,988	135,880	129,106
<u>Tonnage Carried -</u>				
Goods (excl. Livestock) -				
Paying	345,160	345,364	1,931,767	2,440,227
Free (Departmental)	40,455	35,139	319,097	284,497
Livestock	7,821	7,273	74,738	74,570
Total	393,436	387,776	2,325,602	2,799,294
<u>Net Ton Mileage of -</u>				
Goods (excl. Livestock) -				
Paying	56,309,637	54,343,608	311,207,646	371,886,712
Free (Departmental)	3,894,239	4,328,306	32,719,954	32,926,248
Livestock	1,018,783	1,033,789	10,554,453	10,794,589
Total	61,222,659	59,705,703	354,482,053	415,607,549

(a) 8 weeks ended 29th December

(b) 8 weeks ended 30th December

(c) Period 1st July to 29th December

(d) Period 1st July to 30th December

MINE PRODUCTION OF GOLD (a)

Item	DECEMBER		Twelve Months ended DECEMBER	
	1962	1961	1962	1961
Quantity Fine oz.	76,242	79,184	860,039	870,658
Value (Aust. Currency) £	1,191,282	1,237,255	13,438,119	13,604,030
Dividends reported by Gold Mining Companies £	579,944	694,257	2,085,802	2,185,783

(a) Including gold contained in gold-bearing materials exported. Value is in terms of Australian currency, excluding amounts realized by the Gold Producers' Association Limited on sales of Western Australian gold and amount of subsidy paid by the Commonwealth Government.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

(1) NEW VEHICLES REGISTERED

Period	Metropolitan Traffic Area					Whole State (a)				
	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
1958	5,794	762	1,942	15	1,306	9,548	1,290	4,784	43	1,860
1959	5,957	1,205	2,454	20	1,615	9,785	1,962	5,684	55	2,187
1960	8,172	1,774	2,403	27	1,053	12,713	2,951	5,655	66	1,470
1961	6,947	1,871	2,221	30	591	10,670	3,228	5,104	70	903
1962	11,161	3,220	2,786	47	651	16,670	5,151	6,036	106	898
<u>1961 -</u> December	591	176	187	4	50	1,001	335	447	6	84
<u>1962 -</u> January	635	166	158	-	75	979	290	390	4	94
February	759	172	246	4	63	1,105	302	486	17	92
March	848	237	271	3	68	1,208	389	577	8	94
April	737	182	205	4	40	1,122	300	456	8	64
May	980	295	281	6	68	1,354	418	552	13	87
June	1,173	274	282	3	41	1,669	447	538	8	71
July	778	250	238	6	42	1,206	386	529	8	62
August	1,131	329	214	5	37	1,709	475	457	7	54
September	976	328	214	2	46	1,473	520	462	11	59
October	1,140	386	232	4	71	1,696	576	572	6	94
November	1,051	348	248	4	40	1,619	580	561	6	56
December	953	253	197	6	60	1,530	468	456	10	71

(2) MOTOR VEHICLES IN USE (EFFECTIVE REGISTRATIONS)

Date (as at end of Month)	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Whole State (a)			
	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
<u>1958 -</u> June	69,414	24,217	553	8,580	110,573	65,046	1,190	12,827
December	73,190	24,908	545	8,759	114,685	65,582	1,177	12,935
<u>1959 -</u> June	75,203	25,222	584	9,080	118,112	66,617	1,213	13,411
December	78,759	25,955	571	9,416	123,293	68,017	1,191	13,559
<u>1960 -</u> June	81,636	26,058	554	9,422	127,863	69,131	1,194	13,609
December	86,582	26,507	561	9,068	134,220	70,320	1,220	13,097
<u>1961 -</u> June	89,189	26,699	565	8,703	138,187	70,908	1,237	12,689
December	93,110	27,135	576	8,486	143,827	71,934	1,264	12,244
<u>1962 -</u> January	94,350	27,325	576	8,530	143,365	70,646	1,154	12,004
February	94,838	27,343	575	8,489	144,999	71,482	1,265	12,096
March	95,316	27,363	575	8,443	146,507	72,227	1,272	12,164
April	96,419	27,495	582	8,440	147,078	71,880	1,272	11,954
May	97,079	27,502	585	8,369	149,071	72,848	1,284	12,041
June	97,977	27,490	585	8,285	151,013	73,454	1,294	12,052
July	100,562	27,996	594	8,244	150,433	71,627	1,290	11,588
August	101,532	27,960	599	8,152	152,559	71,950	1,286	11,480
September	102,363	27,960	604	8,121	154,890	72,729	1,295	11,587
October	104,137	28,200	608	8,144	156,142	72,604	1,294	11,411
November	104,858	28,165	614	8,113	158,540	73,771	1,305	11,563
December	105,559	28,174	605	8,093	(b)160,000	(b)74,000	(b)1,300	(b)11,600

(a) Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles other than those of Defence Services.

(b) Preliminary estimate.

BUILDING PERMITS AND APPROVALS

Period	New Houses and Flats				Other New Buildings			Grand Total, including Additions & Alterations		
	Private	Govt.	Total		Private	Govt.	Total	Private	Govt.	Total
	No.	No.	No.	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1960-61	4,791	1,327	6,118	18,860	6,566	7,531	14,097	24,924	11,143	36,067
1961-62	5,016	1,867	6,883	21,711	6,010	8,690	14,700	25,365	14,468	39,883
<u>1962:</u>										
January	304	122	426	1,369	255	334	589	1,432	771	2,203
February	461	199	660	2,015	373	279	652	2,045	884	2,929
March	468	254	722	2,177	472	615	1,087	2,199	1,346	3,545
April	388	106	494	1,595	630	267	897	2,154	598	2,752
May	499	104	603	1,935	487	760	1,247	2,427	1,158	3,585
June	405	81	486	1,638	577	962	1,539	2,201	1,250	3,451
July	500	116	616	1,985	1,035	1,021	2,056	2,952	1,407	4,359
August	444	148	592	2,060	794	515	1,309	2,838	941	3,779
September	458	125	583	1,904	475	462	937	2,347	825	3,172
October	540	225	765	2,367	691	575	1,266	2,895	1,122	4,017
November	375	114	489	1,615	584	286	870	2,155	627	2,782
December	376	52	428	1,423	647	558	1,205	2,160	726	2,886
<u>1963:</u>										
January	374	115	489	1,587	462	253	715	2,027	569	2,596

BUILDING OPERATIONS

The figures in the following two tables cover the operations of all builders who accept contracts for the construction of new buildings, "day-labour" building by Government Agencies and the activities of "Owner-Builders".

(1) NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Period	Dwellings				Factories		Other		Total	
	Owner-Built		By Contractors etc.							
	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000
1958	1,371	3,884	4,638	13,978	146	1,851	714	10,735	6,869	30,448
1959	1,452	3,880	4,657	14,134	138	986	731	9,376	6,978	28,376
1960	1,103	3,013	5,363	16,859	161	2,224	814	11,797	7,441	33,893
1961	1,075	2,963	5,258	17,272	126	1,744	858	10,965	7,317	32,944
1962	989	2,902	6,035	21,615	159	1,620	978	15,852	8,161	41,989
1962 -										
March Qr.	278	778	1,117	3,717	29	217	230	2,977	1,654	7,689
June Qr.	247	743	1,451	5,201	26	263	228	3,807	1,952	10,014
Sept. Qr.	202	666	1,725	5,844	53	597	261	5,632	2,241	12,739
Dec. Qr.	262	715	1,742	6,853	51	543	259	3,436	2,314	11,547

(a) Includes Shop Dwellings, Flats and Other Residentials excluded from Table (2) below.

(2) HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

(Includes Owner-Built Houses)

Period	Houses Completed - Classified according to Material of Outer Walls									
	Brick, Stone Cement etc.		Wood or Mainly Wood		Fibro-Cement or Mainly Fibro-Cement		Other		Total	
	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000
1958	3,764	12,501	41	115	1,935	4,547	3	4	5,743	17,167
1959	3,762	12,327	28	58	2,066	4,780	6	13	5,862	17,178
1960	4,582	14,972	21	60	1,573	3,911	5	7	6,181	18,950
1961	4,287	14,834	15	32	1,459	3,820	103	82	5,864	18,768
1962	5,070	17,836	91	395	1,320	3,676	15	26	6,496	21,933
<u>1962 -</u>										
March Qr.	984	3,367	9	20	324	850	3	4	1,320	4,241
June Qr.	1,244	4,291	59	314	324	947	4	8	1,631	5,560
Sept. Qr.	1,446	5,141	8	21	322	904	3	9	1,779	6,075
Dec. Qr.	1,396	5,037	15	40	350	975	5	5	1,766	6,057

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

PERTH METROPOLITAN AREA

(Base of Each Index Series : Year 1952-53 = 100)

Period	Group Index Numbers					Com- bined Index (All Groups)
	Food	Clothing and Drapery	Housing	Household Supplies and Equipment	Mis- cellan- eous	
Year ended June						
1958	114.4	105.7	126.0	105.7	118.3	113.6
1959	115.2	107.2	130.3	105.9	118.7	114.7
1960	118.4	108.2	133.5	107.1	120.9	116.9
1961	124.4	110.8	141.7	107.3	125.2	121.2
1962	123.5	111.7	146.4	107.3	125.3	121.6
Quarters:						
1961 - March	125.3	110.9	143.5	107.4	125.8	121.9
June	126.4	111.6	144.8	107.0	125.6	122.4
September	123.8	111.6	145.1	107.5	125.7	121.7
December	122.5	111.9	145.5	107.4	125.5	121.3
1962 - March	123.4	111.8	147.1	107.1	124.9	121.5
June	124.2	111.5	147.8	107.2	124.9	121.8
September	124.7	111.7	148.8	107.2	124.8	122.1
December	122.8	111.8	150.9	106.9	124.9	121.7

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Excluding Wage Earners in Rural Industry, Female Private
Domestics and Personnel in Defence Forces.)

(Thousands)

Month	Males	Females	Persons	Month	Males	Females	Persons
1961:				1962:			
January	142.8	50.0	192.8	January	144.3	50.5	194.8
February	143.1	50.4	193.5	February	145.0	51.0	196.0
March	143.1	50.7	193.8	March	146.3	52.1	198.4
April	143.3	50.8	194.1	April	145.6	52.0	197.6
May	142.8	50.6	193.4	May	146.4	52.1	198.5
June	142.2	49.9	192.1	June	146.5	51.9	198.4
July	142.0	49.9	191.9	July	146.5	51.9	198.4
August	142.9	49.9	192.8	August	146.5	51.9	198.4
September	143.6	50.1	193.7	September	147.2	52.5	199.7
October	143.0	50.4	193.4	October	147.2	52.6	199.8
November	143.9	51.0	194.9	November	147.9	53.5	201.4
December	143.5	50.7	194.2	December	148.9	52.9	201.8

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1961 are subject to revision.

INDEX OF FACTORY EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Base: 1928/29 - 19,799 Employees = 100)

Month	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
January	241	232	231	229	234	242	244
February	241	235	233	231	237	241	246
March	240	236	234	233	238	241	247
April	239	234	233	233	237	241	245
May	238	234	230	232	238	239	247
June	235	231	228	229	237	236	246
July	231	229	229	231	239	234	247
August	230	229	229	232	240	237	247
September	233	232	230	233	243	240	249
October	233	232	232	234	242	241	250
November	233	233	231	235	244	242	251
December	232	232	231	235	243	242	253

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1961 are subject to revision.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS

Period	Registered for Employment (a)			Persons receiving Benefits (b)				Amount Paid in Benefits			
	Males	Females	Persons	Unemployment	Sickness	Special		Unemployment	Sickness	Special	
						Ordinary	Migrants			Ordinary	Migrants
								£	£	£	£
1957-58	4,349	1,073	5,422	2,330	508	101	-	482,735	130,959	18,322	-
1958-59	5,122	1,239	6,361	2,852	594	125	-	654,160	159,230	23,110	-
1959-60	4,021	1,217	5,238	2,512	700	135	-	564,492	163,528	23,897	-
1960-61	3,753	1,241	4,991	2,154	665	148	-	479,159	153,348	22,196	-
1961-62	4,168	1,610	5,778	2,932	685	151	-	726,082	190,706	26,705	-
1961 December	4,310	1,509	5,819	3,187	635	152	-	52,113	15,750	2,176	-
1962 January	5,523	2,053	7,576	3,197	652	150	-	64,043	15,372	1,885	-
February	4,713	2,064	6,777	2,811	600	151	-	59,485	14,789	2,272	-
March	3,479	2,067	5,546	2,544	684	161	-	61,634	18,827	2,765	-
April	3,283	1,887	5,170	2,646	861	153	-	54,165	18,966	2,601	-
May	3,249	1,761	5,010	2,428	732	135	-	59,038	18,033	2,529	-
June	3,570	1,750	5,320	2,667	714	127	-	55,309	19,437	2,336	-
July	3,835	1,747	5,582	2,789	740	130	-	66,587	20,514	2,543	-
August	3,327	1,654	4,981	2,511	766	136	-	68,149	21,787	2,671	-
September	3,124	1,487	4,611	2,094	802	129	-	52,315	17,861	2,144	-
October	2,978	1,484	4,462	2,051	814	133	69	50,778	23,298	2,615	506
November	3,649	2,108	5,757	2,059	789	137	131	49,268	19,299	2,318	1,403
December	4,431	2,303	6,734	2,945	767	125	30	55,849	20,379	2,330	926

(a) Source: Department of Labour and National Service. Annual figures are the average of numbers registered at the end of each month.

(b) On the last Saturday of each month. Annual figures are the average of persons at end of each week.



STATE BASIC WAGE

Date of Operation	Metropolitan Area			South-West Land Division			Goldfields and Rest of State		
	Male			Female			Male		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
30/10/61(a)	14.	18.	9	11.	4.	1	14.	17.	3
	11.	2.	11	14.	11.	6	10.	18.	8

(a) The rates declared to operate from this date have not subsequently been varied.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS AND MEAT PRODUCTION

(1) SLAUGHTERINGS (Number)

Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs
December, 1962	19,506	1,755	136,757	62,936	20,776
1961	15,489	1,514	120,708	67,478	21,942
6 Months ended December, 1962	134,798	12,805	865,715	541,933	137,859
1961	109,124	8,665	748,741	696,845	139,154

(2) MEAT PRODUCTION (a) (Tons)

Period	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork
December, 1962	3,788	78	2,469	886	966
1961	3,221	71	2,317	980	1,018
6 Months ended December, 1962	26,773	589	15,970	7,391	6,710
1961	23,546	405	14,617	10,097	7,106

(a) Dressed carcass weight of livestock slaughtered for local consumption and export - includes meat used in smallgoods, canned meat, and bacon and ham.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

The term "Metropolitan" refers to the Metropolitan Traffic Area

Period	Non-Casualty Accidents (a)		Casualty Accidents		Total Accidents (a)		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State
1958	6,614	8,691	2,412	3,451	9,026	12,142	80	183	2,990	4,478
1959	6,349	8,492	2,474	3,521	8,823	12,013	86	171	3,135	4,624
1960	7,180	9,559	2,598	3,713	9,778	13,272	94	199	3,289	4,862
1961	4,221	6,111	2,391	3,528	6,612	9,639	79	172	3,110	4,779
1962	4,481	6,556	2,581	3,685	7,066	10,241	83	177	3,424	5,077
1962										
January	338	505	187	292	525	797	6	26	239	396
February	340	472	220	304	560	776	6	12	276	399
March	347	503	223	324	570	827	9	17	285	424
April	364	515	169	268	533	783	8	20	225	396
May	392	585	216	303	608	888	9	17	275	403
June	352	510	216	297	568	807	9	16	272	397
July	430	621	230	317	660	938	6	9	330	454
August	349	545	185	261	534	806	5	10	246	354
September	394	569	208	298	602	867	5	7	265	396
October	392	580	220	315	612	895	5	11	292	424
November	408	573	239	338	647	911	8	15	305	449
December	375	578	272	368	647	946	7	17	414	585

(a) Non-casualty accidents prior to 1961 exclude those where estimated damage was £10 or less; from January, 1961 they exclude those where estimated damage was £25 or less.

AVERAGE FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PRICES (METROPOLITAN MARKETS)

Note - The average prices shown in this table have been computed from a systematic sample of auctioneers' records of fruit and vegetables sold on the auction floor at each sale conducted at the Metropolitan Markets. Where the volume of sales of a particular commodity in any month outside its recognized season does not reach a significant proportion of sales for the year, a price has not been shown.

Item	Unit	1962												1963
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
FRUIT		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Lemons	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	27. 2	26. 0	20. 1	19. 2	15. 0	10. 4	10. 5	8. 1	9. 8	9. 4	12. 0	14. 3	15. 1
Oranges - Navel	bush.	-	-	-	47. 1	36. 0	22. 2	27.11	31.11	35. 2	-	-	-	-
- Val.	bush.	35. 4	31. 0	30.11	43. 5	30. 9	-	-	-	23.10	22. 7	21. 7	21. 8	24. 9
Bananas - Local	lb.	10	9	10	11	11	1. 2	1. 1	1. 1	1. 1	1. 1	1. 0	1. 1	1. 3
Apples - G.Smith	bush.	-	-	20. 6	25.10	26. 0	28. 5	32. 5	30.11	49. 9	51. 6	49. 6	49. 1	-
- Other	bush.	30. 3	27. 7	25. 2	33. 7	34. 0	37. 8	48. 2	54.10	62. 3	64. 0	67. 8	57. 5	31. 1
Pears	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	30. 0	20. 9	19. 4	19. 0	20. 2	25. 6	22. 4	-	-	-	-	-	23.10
Apricots	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	39. 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40. 0	30. 8	36. 3
Nectarines	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	26. 6	29. 0	25. 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28. 1
Plums	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	30. 2	29.10	34.11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35.10	27. 8
Peaches	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	28.10	21. 0	20.10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23. 5	29.10
Grapes	Open flat cases	22. 7	23. 0	22. 5	22. 2	27. 0	-	-	-	-	-	-	33. 0	25. 4
VEGETABLES														
Cabbage	crate	9. 5	15. 4	10. 4	6. 6	4.11	5.11	14. 2	10. 2	12. 0	8. 3	4. 7	4. 5	10. 8
Cauliflowers	dozen	-	18. 0	26. 8	9. 0	16. 0	24. 1	24. 1	9. 2	10. 5	22.11	18. 1	17. 2	-
Lettuce	crate	14. 8	24. 5	11. 7	7. 1	7.10	9. 9	20. 5	12.10	5. 9	5.11	6. 2	11. 1	11. 7
Table Celery	doz. head	8. 6	11. 3	12. 0	8. 0	4. 6	4. 7	7. 2	9. 0	8. 5	7. 7	10. 9	7. 7	9. 9
Beetroot	cwt.	27. 8	38. 3	36. 3	28. 5	23. 5	23. 3	33. 6	31. 9	39.10	39. 6	22. 6	16. 9	20.11
Carrots	cwt.	27. 1	36. 0	34. 0	40. 9	30. 1	23. 6	19.10	20. 7	26. 0	35. 4	34. 8	31. 1	57. 1
Parsnips	cwt.	41. 1	76. 6	69. 5	67. 6	66. 1	63. 8	47. 8	40. 9	35. 0	38.11	28. 4	33. 9	44. 2
Turnips	$\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.bag	10. 3	12.10	7. 3	5. 3	6. 3	8. 7	17. 3	7. 6	4.10	5. 2	5. 2	5.10	6.11
Swedes	cwt.	28. 1	55.10	46. 4	31. 9	34. 7	42. 0	35. 9	28. 6	24. 0	32. 6	24.10	23. 4	39. 3
Runner Beans	lb.	1. 8	1. 8	8	9	1. 0	1. 2	1. 2	1. 5	1. 3	1. 1	10	8	8
Peas	lb.	1. 6	1. 9	1. 9	1. 1	1. 4	1. 8	1. 7	1. 1	10	10	10	10	1.11
Sweet Potatoes	lb.	9	7	5	5	4	4	5	5	6	5	4	4	5
Pumpkin	bag	26. 6	22. 1	23.11	23.11	20. 4	20. 2	21.10	19. 2	21.11	21. 3	25. 2	38. 9	48. 4
Tomatoes	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	19. 1	27. 6	21. 9	11. 8	10. 1	25.11	33. 1	27. 8	21. 3	24. 2	27. 8	23. 8	21.10
		£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.
Onions (a)	ton	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	55. 0.0	55. 0.0	50. 0.0	40. 0.0	(b)	(b)	30. 0.0	25. 0.0
Potatoes (c)	ton	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0

(a) W.A. Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants, delivered Metropolitan Area.

(b) Onion Pool closed.

(c) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants, F.O.R. Perth.

AVERAGE PRICES PER HEAD OF LIVESTOCK - GOOD QUALITY - SOLD AT THE MIDLAND JUNCTION SALEYARDS

Note - A price has not been shown where the volume of sales of a particular item was not significant for that month.

Item	1962												1963
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
SHEEP													
Suckers	-	-	-	-	-	4.16. 5	5. 1. 8	3.17. 1	3. 2. 9	3. 1.10	3. 5. 3	3. 2. 1	-
Lambs													
In Wool	-	-	-	4.15. 3	4.16. 0	5.12. 8	5. 9. 0	3.19. 7	-	-	-	-	-
Shorn	3. 5. 3	3.12. 4	4. 2. 3	3.17. 5	4. 0. 6	4.10. 8	4. 4.10	3. 4. 2	-	2.10. 2	3. 0. 7	3. 9. 1	3.12. 6
Hoggets													
In Wool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shorn	2.17. 8	3. 4. 7	3.11.11	-	3.16. 9	-	-	-	2.12. 3	2.12. 6	2.16.11	-	3. 6. 0
Ewes													
In Wool	-	-	-	-	-	3.16. 8	3.18.10	3. 4. 7	-	2. 6. 5	-	-	-
Shorn	2. 8. 8	2.12. 0	2.12. 3	2.14.10	3. 4. 8	2.18.10	2.16. 2	2. 3. 4	1.18. 9	1.14. 0	1.14. 7	1.14. 2	2. 6. 0
Wethers													
In Wool	-	-	3.16. 5	4. 0. 5	3.15. 9	4. 6. 0	4.14. 3	3.18. 0	-	-	-	-	-
Shorn	2.16. 6	3. 2. 7	3. 2. 9	2.19. 7	3. 5. 6	3. 3. 8	3.11. 8	2. 8. 0	2.10. 8	2. 6. 8	2. 7.10	2. 7. 4	2.16. 4
CATTLE													
Baby Beef	33. 6.10	33.17.11	34.17. 8	34. 0. 1	34.19. 4	36. 6. 3	35.18. 9	38.14. 6	38.14. 4	37.13.10	34. 9. 4	32.19. 1	32.10. 9
Heifers	-	34.12. 5	36.14. 5	-	36. 6. 6	40.16. 0	43.10.11	42.14.10	40.14.11	-	-	-	-
Cows	43. 0. 5	40.18. 8	42.18.11	44. 0. 4	42. 6. 9	45.10. 5	42.10. 8	45.18. 7	43. 8. 8	40.12. 0	39.14. 0	38.18. 1	39.12. 3
Steers	46. 4. 8	45. 9.11	45.15. 4	47.11. 5	45.16. 2	54. 0.10	52. 5. 3	50. 3. 7	49.14. 7	44. 8. 0	45. 8. 9	45.12.11	44.10.10
Bullocks	-	-	-	-	-	63. 9. 3	56.16. 4	58.14. 7	52.12. 0	51. 2. 5	53.15. 5	53.19. 9	55. 7. 6
PIGS													
Slips	-	3.11. 8	-	-	-	-	3.15. 0	4.15. 6	6. 1. 3	-	-	-	-
Porkers	7. 7. 8	8. 1. 6	8.10. 4	8. 4. 1	8. 3.11	8.17. 6	8.17.10	9. 9. 6	10.12. 7	10.15. 0	11. 3. 4	10.11. 0	10.15. 2
Baconers	11. 3.11	11. 0. 4	12.13. 4	12. 0. 7	11.14. 1	12.18. 6	13.16. 2	14. 8.11	14.16.11	15.11. 4	16. 2. 7	15. 5. 8	15. 9. 2

AVERAGE PRICES OF POULTRY PER LB. (LIVEWEIGHT) - SOLD AT THE METROPOLITAN MARKETS

Turkey Hens	-	-	-	3. 5	3. 2	3. 3	3. 4	3. 4	3. 3	2.10	2.10	3. 1	-
" Cocks	-	-	3. 4	3. 4	3. 1	3. 3	3. 3	3. 3	3. 2	3. 1	3. 0	3. 0	-
Ducks	2. 3	2. 2	2. 1	1.10	1.10	1.11	2. 2	2. 3	2. 6	2. 8	2.11	3. 5	2. 4
Drakes	2. 4	2. 1	2. 1	1.11	1.10	2. 0	2. 1	2. 3	2. 6	2. 9	3. 1	3. 4	2. 4
Geese	-	-	-	-	2. 0	1.10	-	1. 8	-	1. 7	-	2. 0	-
Cockerels	2. 8	2. 8	2.10	3. 0	2.10	2. 9	2. 9	2. 8	2. 6	2. 5	2. 7	2. 5	2. 1
Capons	2. 9	2.10	3. 0	3. 1	3. 0	3. 0	2.11	2.10	2. 8	2. 6	2. 7	2. 6	2. 3
Hens	1. 9	1. 9	2. 0	2. 2	1.11	2. 0	2. 0	2. 0	2. 0	2. 0	1.11	2. 0	1.11

INSTALMENT CREDIT OPERATIONS OF RETAIL BUSINESSES AND NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES

(£'000)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Balances Outstanding at end of period (including Hiring Charges, etc.)
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)	Total (All Goods)	
HIRE PURCHASE					
1960-61	14,568	2,021	7,789	24,378	38,050
1961-62	15,175	2,634	6,493	24,302	38,154
Quarters -					
1961 - September	3,151	380	1,664	5,195	37,459
December	3,520	1,041	1,971	6,532	38,598
1962 - March	3,815	595	1,421	5,831	36,917
June	4,689	618	1,437	6,744	38,052*
September	4,829	431	1,566	6,826	39,583
ALL OTHER INSTALMENT CREDIT (b)					
1960-61	1,155	43	6,398	7,596	5,982
1961-62	1,194	49	6,245	7,488	8,193
Quarters -					
1961 - September	223	14	1,507	1,744	6,358
December	240	11	1,614	1,865	7,006
1962 - March	352	11	1,445	1,808	7,435
June	379	13	1,679	2,071	8,193
September	435	1	1,491	1,927	8,582
TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT					
1960-61	15,723	2,064	14,187	31,974	44,032
1961-62	16,369	2,683	12,738	31,790	46,347
Quarters -					
1961 - September	3,374	394	3,171	6,939	43,817
December	3,760	1,052	3,585	8,397	45,604
1962 - March	4,167	606	2,866	7,639	44,352
June	5,068	631	3,116	8,815	46,245*
September	5,264	432	3,057	8,753	48,165

(a) See footnote (a) below. (b) Includes Time Payment, Budget Account, Personal Loan Schemes, etc. * Revised.

INSTALMENT CREDIT OPERATIONS OF NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES

(£'000)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Collections during period (including Hiring Charges etc.)	Balances Outstanding at end of period (incl. Hiring Charges etc.)
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)	Total (All Goods)		
	New	Used				
1960-61	13,491		1,565	2,431	17,487	20,570
1961-62	14,290		2,298	2,299	18,887	22,425
1961 - October	542	520	534	218	1,814	1,757
November	716	505	290	260	1,771	1,990
December	512	492	130	275	1,409	1,599
1962 - January	565	649	121	222	1,557	2,179
February	576	545	150	169	1,440	3,006
March	710	602	255	152	1,719	1,915
April	669	636	197	145	1,647	1,540
May	995	713	211	189	2,108	1,850
June	757	743	125	177	1,802	1,651
July	755	832	104	143	1,834	1,741
August	636	858	115	188	1,797	1,781
September	785	810	147	199	1,941	1,779

(a) Includes furniture and furnishings, domestic refrigerators, electrical goods, radios, musical instruments, bicycles and other household and personal goods. * Revised.

RETAIL SALES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS

(£ million)

Period (a)	Groceries	Butchers' Meat	Other Food-stuffs, Soft Drinks	Beer, Wine and Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings	Footwear	Hardware, China and Glassware (b)	Electrical Goods, Pianos, etc.	Furniture, Floor Coverings, Mattresses	Chemists' Goods	News-papers, Books, Stationery	Other Goods (c)	Total (excl. Motor Vehicles, etc.)	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, Parts, Petrol, etc. (d)
1957-58	27.4	12.0	19.4	19.5	28.6(e)	(e)	10.1	8.2	6.5	(f)	(f)	31.8(f)	163.5	56.9
1958-59	28.7	11.1	19.4	18.4	25.1	4.3	10.7	8.7	6.5	5.6	4.7	21.2	164.4	55.3
1959-60	30.8	11.6	21.7	19.1	27.4	4.7	11.9	13.8	7.7	6.0	4.9	22.6	182.2	66.7
1960-61	32.6	12.4	22.6	20.6	27.7	5.0	12.4	15.5	7.8	6.7	5.0	23.5	191.8	68.7
1961-62	35.1	12.9	23.5	21.1	29.0	5.1	13.0	14.2	8.4	7.1	5.4	24.7	199.5	75.1
Sept. Qr.														
1957	6.6	3.1	4.5	4.2	6.7(e)	(e)	2.5	1.9	1.6	(f)	(f)	7.0(f)	38.1	13.7
1958	7.0	2.8	4.5	4.0	6.0	1.0	2.5	1.9	1.6	1.3	1.1	4.4	38.1	13.1
1959	7.5	2.9	4.9	4.2	6.3	1.1	2.7	2.5	1.7	1.4	1.1	4.5	40.8	14.8
1960	7.7	3.0	5.3	4.4	6.7	1.2	3.0	3.9	2.1	1.6	1.1	4.9	44.9	18.3
1961	8.6	3.2	5.5	4.5	7.2	1.2	3.1	3.5	2.0	1.7	1.2	4.8	46.5	16.3
1962	8.8	3.4	5.8	4.8	7.2	1.2	3.5	3.4	2.2	1.9	1.3	5.3	48.8	20.8
Dec. Qr.														
1957	7.2	3.0	5.0	5.3	8.5(e)	(e)	2.9	2.6	1.8	(f)	(f)	8.1(f)	44.4	14.9
1958	7.6	2.7	5.0	5.2	7.2	1.2	3.0	2.9	1.8	1.5	1.3	5.2	44.6	14.1
1959	8.0	2.9	5.6	5.2	7.8	1.3	3.3	3.6	2.1	1.6	1.4	5.5	48.3	17.1
1960	8.6	3.1	5.9	5.8	8.0	1.4	3.6	4.2	2.3	1.8	1.4	5.8	51.9	18.7
1961	9.4	3.3	6.1	5.9	8.1	1.4	3.6	4.1	2.3	1.9	1.5	6.1	53.7	18.5
March Qr.														
1958	6.7	2.9	5.0	5.4	6.0(e)	(e)	2.4	2.0	1.5	(f)	(f)	8.5(f)	40.4	14.2
1959	7.0	2.7	5.2	5.0	5.1	0.9	2.6	2.0	1.5	1.3	1.2	5.5	40.0	13.9
1960	7.5	2.8	5.8	5.2	6.0	1.0	2.9	3.6	1.9	1.4	1.3	6.3	45.7	16.9
1961	8.0	3.1	6.1	5.9	5.7	1.1	2.9	3.6	1.6	1.6	1.3	6.6	47.5	15.7
1962	8.4	3.1	6.2	5.9	6.2	1.1	3.1	3.4	2.0	1.7	1.4	6.7	49.2	19.4
June Qr.														
1958	6.9	3.0	4.9	4.6	7.4(e)	(e)	2.3	1.7	1.6	(f)	(f)	8.2(f)	40.6	14.1
1959	7.1	2.9	4.7	4.2	6.8	1.2	2.6	1.9	1.6	1.5	1.1	6.1	41.7	14.2
1960	7.8	3.0	5.4	4.5	7.3	1.3	3.0	4.1	2.0	1.6	1.1	6.3	47.4	17.9
1961	8.3	3.2	5.3	4.5	7.3	1.3	2.9	3.8	1.8	1.7	1.2	6.2	47.5	16.0
1962	8.7	3.3	5.7	4.8	7.5	1.4	3.2	3.2	2.1	1.8	1.3	7.1	50.1	20.9

(a) Figures subsequent to June 1957 are subject to revision. (b) Excludes basic building materials (e.g. Timber, Building Sheets, Tiles, Joinery, Cement). (c) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, Grain and Produce, Jewellery, Office Equipment, etc. (d) Excludes Farm Machinery and Implements, Earth-moving Equipment, etc. (e) Footwear is included with Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings. (f) Chemists' Goods and Papers, Books, Stationery are included with Other Goods.

COMMODITIES PRODUCED

Item	Unit	DECEMBER		Six Months ended DECEMBER	
		1962	1961	1962	1961
<u>Building Materials, etc.</u>					
Bath Heaters - solid fuel	number	397	389	2,822	2,615
Bricks - Standard all types	'000	8,559	7,534	64,602	58,578
Fibrous Plaster - Sheets	'000 sq. yds.	93	83	794	661
" " - Acoustic Tiles	sq. yds.	987	1,683	9,797	12,846
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	2,128	2,235	15,608	13,867
Plaster of Paris	"	1,376	957	10,992	8,714
Ready-Mixed Paints and Enamels excluding Water Paints	gallon	37,715	32,872	228,158	197,183
Timber, Sawn (from Local Logs) (a)	'000 super. ft.	12,001	12,697	97,033	100,569
<u>Clothing</u>					
Blazers - Men's and Boys'	number	874	501	2,898	3,939
Pyjamas, Woven - Men's and Boys'	dozen	1,012	979	4,714	4,224
Shirts (all types) - Men's and Boys'	"	4,296	4,224	30,772	27,876
Suits - Men's - 2 & 3 piece	number	983	1,373	6,091	9,132
Trousers - Men's - Sport	"	9,977	8,588	59,317	51,270
- Work	"	4,469	5,407	52,514	67,836
<u>Footwear</u>					
Boots, Shoes and Sandals (all types)	pair	68,621	45,983	423,160	362,054
Slippers	"	8,704	9,000	70,404	59,050
<u>Food and Drink</u>					
Aerated Waters	'000 gallons	921	809	2,875	2,586
Cordials and Syrups	gallon	51,557	37,395	155,766	142,560
Bacon and Ham	'000 lb.	1,000	730	4,966	4,025
Butter	"	1,601	1,465	11,657	13,095
Cheese	"	358	340	2,470	2,355
Flour (excl. Self-raising Flour)	ton (2,000 lb.)	10,164	9,066	66,826	79,049
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					
Acid - Acetic	ton	36	9	143	132
Sulphuric	"	16,517	20,427	121,684	95,530
Coal	"	58,611	65,345	483,226	493,867
Electricity Generated	'000 kwh	100,380	90,934	603,277	547,245
Gas (Town) Produced	million cub. ft.	107	110	736	752
Mattresses - Soft Filled (b)	number	4,486	2,222	19,991	15,044
Pig Iron	ton	4,194	4,577	22,296	25,886
Superphosphate	"	45,107	55,184	342,615	258,648
Wool-Scoured	'000 lb.	2,734	3,106	15,783	16,367

(a) Includes plywood veneers in terms of super. feet.

(b) Includes mattresses of rubber, plastic foam and sponge, but excludes inner-spring mattresses.

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